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Survey reveals state of town



PEOPLE in Northampton appear to be generally happy with their lot in the town, according to a state-of-the-nation report compiled by the Government.

Almost three-quarters of the thousands of people who took part in the survey said they were happy to live in Northampton, particularly praising the town's bus services, libraries, theatres and parks.

But some serious concerns were raised about the way councils in the area operate and questioned whether they provided value for money.

Northampton Borough Council's deputy leader, Councillor Brian Hoare (*Lib Dem, Abington*) said: "The survey clearly tells local councils what hard-working taxpayers want from their public services.

"Residents are saying the borough council is improving Northampton's parks, public places, recycling and refuse collection.

"I now want to see the council shift the way it works to become a leaner, greener council that listens to residents, takes action and keeps their council tax down."

The Government's Place Survey was carried out between September and December last year.

Forms were sent out to 3,700 people across Northampton who were chosen at random to take part in the study.

The survey quizzed residents on their attitude towards the area where they lived and the services provided by local authorities.

Among the positive results for Northampton were a 56 per cent satisfaction rate for the town's bus services, 65 per cent for libraries and 63 per

cent for theatres.

People's feelings towards crime levels also showed some good results, with only 20 per cent thinking anti-social behaviour was a problem in Northampton, 25 per cent considered drugs to be a problem and 29 per cent classed drunken behaviour in the town as an issue.

The survey also pointed towards some positive feelings towards the way different sections of the community got on, with 70 per cent of Northampton residents believing people from different backgrounds got on well together and only 36 per cent considering people in the town did not treat each other with respect.

Councillor Hoare said: "It will take some time to fully assess the results but it would seem the results show improvements across the town compared to similar surveys in the past."

RESULTS

Percentage of residents who are either very or fairly satisfied with the following things:

Satisfied with home/neighbourhood:

Daventry: 88%
Northampton: 77%
South Northamptonshire: 87%
Northamptonshire: 82%

Keeping public land clear of litter:

Daventry: 57%
Northampton: 47%
South Northamptonshire: 58%
Northamptonshire: 51%

Refuse collection:

Daventry: 78%
Northampton: 70%
South Northamptonshire: 76%
Northamptonshire: 72%

Doorstep recycling:

Daventry: 81%
Northampton: 65%
South Northamptonshire: 76%
Northamptonshire: 70%

Bus services:

Daventry: 40%
Northampton: 56%
South Northamptonshire: 40%
Northamptonshire: 49%

Sport and leisure facilities:

Daventry: 40%
Northampton: 40%
South Northamptonshire: 41%
Northamptonshire: 42%

Libraries:

Daventry: 63%
Northampton: 65%
South Northamptonshire: 61%
Northamptonshire: 64%

Museums and galleries:

Daventry: 23%
Northampton: 46%
South Northamptonshire: 21%
Northamptonshire: 34%

Theatres:

Daventry: 29%
Northampton: 63%
South Northamptonshire: 35%
Northamptonshire: 43%

Parks:

Daventry: 68%
Northampton: 72%
South Northamptonshire: 64%
Northamptonshire: 66%

Value for money from the council:

Daventry: 33%
Northampton: 19%
South Northamptonshire: 29%
Northamptonshire: 27%

Feel people from different backgrounds get on well together:

Daventry: 80%
Northampton: 70%
South Northamptonshire: 87%
Northamptonshire: 76%

Think anti-social behaviour is a problem:

Daventry: 15%
Northampton: 20%
South Northamptonshire: 9%
Northamptonshire: 19%

Parents take enough responsibility for children's behaviour:

Daventry: 33%
Northampton: 22%
South Northamptonshire: 36%
Northamptonshire: 26%

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■ (From top) Former champ Stirling Moss, footballer Eric Cantona and Jackie Stewart



■ The crowd loved Jenson Button, but it was not to be his day for victory. The race was won by Sebastian Vettel



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Grand Prix to return to Silverstone

THE two most powerful men in Formula One have said they expect Silverstone to host the British Grand Prix next year.

Following the weekend's successful race, where thousands of people flooded into the Northamptonshire circuit to watch the Red Bull team power to victory, both Formula One boss Bernie Ecclestone and Max Mosley, who is head of the sport's governing body, the FIA, said they expected to return to Northamptonshire in 2010.

Mr Ecclestone, who handed the contract for the 2010 race to Donington just last year, admitted there was a good chance the Leicestershire track would not be redeveloped in time to replace Silverstone.

He said: "I'm pretty sure we'll be here at Silverstone and we'll have a British Grand Prix next year."

"We'll be at Silverstone if Donington is not ready."

But despite Silverstone's tremendously successful weekend, the billionaire refused to either commit to Silverstone full-time or consider hosting the British Grand Prix at Silverstone and Donington on alternate years.

He said: "I'd not consider alternating between the two, I'm trying to do that now with two girlfriends and it's not easy."

Right up until the day of the race, fans were not sure if they would ever return to Silverstone to watch F1 again.

But following a major fall-out between the sport's bosses and the racing teams over the future of the sport, the chances of Formula One being held at Silverstone



again next year suddenly seemed to become a reality.

FIA boss Max Mosley, who was besieged by reporters during the entire Silverstone weekend, agreed with Mr Ecclestone that it seemed increasingly likely the Formula One circus would return to Silverstone in 2010. He said: "I would say it's highly probable we'll be here next year. I like Silverstone, I've even raced here myself."

When Mr Ecclestone announced in July last year that Silverstone was due to lose the Grand Prix, business experts in the county estimated the decision would cost the county £40 million a year in lost income.

Robert Brooks, chairman of the British Drivers' Club (BRDC) which owns Silverstone, was delighted there was a chance the track could hang onto next year's race, but warned a final decision needed to be made soon so tickets for 2010 could be put on sale.

He said: "We've now had both Bernie Ecclestone and Max Mosley say they probably think the Grand

Prix will probably be at Silverstone next year.

"We'd certainly like to have it back and if an affordable deal is available we'll be delighted to discuss it with them."

"But the tickets should have gone on sale on Monday morning because we need to promote the next race literally the day after the previous one, so every day we don't have an agreement is damaging."

He also paid tribute to the fans and Silverstone residents who he said had been "great" over the race weekend, adding: "We've had incredible support and I think it's because of that support we find ourselves back in contention for the Grand Prix."

Even though his drivers did not secure a Silverstone win, Ross Brawn, the boss of the Brackley-based Brawn team, was excited about a possible return to Silverstone next year.

He said: "It's a great circuit and I think it would be nice to return the race here."



■ Formula One owner Bernie Ecclestone (above) and, left, Max Moseley, the head of the FIA

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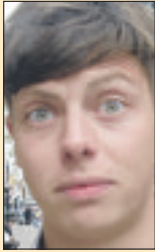


■ And after the crowds have gone, the packing away begins

Your View

Who do you think will win the Wimbledon Men's Tennis this year?

"Djokovic. He has a good ground stroke."
Daniel Wolfgang, aged 23, a music critic from East Hunsbury



"I think Andy Murray. Roger Federer is going to be the main competition and he's emotionally drained."
Sam Hough, aged 21, works in a shop, from Abington



"Andy Murray, he's definitely going to win."
Quinton Gabriel, aged 23, an engineer from Old



"Federer. He's going to win because he's awesome."
Josh Frank, aged 23, a student from Dallington, Northampton

Is the Silverstone racing circuit important to Northamptonshire?

"Definitely. It gets a lot of people into the county. It puts Northamptonshire on the map."
Ian Waddington, aged 42, lorry driver from Northampton



"It's good for the economy. It brings a lot of money to nearby schools and businesses and it also brings in a lot of tourists."
Mark May, 31, an IT manager of Far Cotton



"Definitely, because even where we live we get a lot more tourists when there are events on at Silverstone."
Rebecca Griffin, 32, unemployed, of Ashton



"It is for the economy. There's not a circuit in the world like Silverstone. It brings in a lot of money to the county."
Keith Brittain, 46, a maintenance fitter from Rushden

The Week in Pictures



Dee Caffari and a member of her all-female crew, Sam Davies, celebrate aboard their yacht Aviva, after breaking the Round Britain and Ireland Record monohull speed record on Monday.
Picture Lloyd Images/PA Wire



First World War veteran Henry Allingham (113), who is believed to be the world's oldest man after the death in Japan of Tomoji Tanabe, who was the previous holder of the record.

The Summer Solstice celebrations at Stonehenge passed peacefully with record crowds. Although the sun did not make an appearance as dawn broke, about 36,500 people enjoyed the carnival atmosphere at the ancient stone circle on Salisbury Plain, Wiltshire. Wiltshire police drafted in extra officers to patrol the site and to clamp down on crime.



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Bridge jobs' appeals rejected



■ In 2007 HGV driver Lawrence McCourt was killed when a breezeblock was dropped off a bridge on to his lorry near Wellingborough

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YOBS who throw missiles from bridges endangering the lives of motorists will face "severe" custodial sentences, the Court of Appeal has warned.

Three judges in London sent out a clear message as they rejected sentence appeals by a gang of youths who threw stones and bricks at vehicles on a busy road in South Wales "for a laugh" earlier this year.

The comments have been welcomed by Northamptonshire Police following an incident this month when three youngsters were arrested after a windscreen was smashed and a woman hit in the chest by stones thrown from a bridge over Harrowden Road in Wellingborough.

Insp Pete Chisholm said: "If this helps to reinforce the message of how dangerous this is it's a good move.

"I can't fathom what goes through someone's mind when they do something like this.

"Drivers could be hit in the face by a brick travelling 70mph towards them."

Insp Chisholm said he was working to develop an education programme to take into schools before the summer holidays, which highlights the dangers of dropping objects off bridges.

In 2007 a 15-year-old killed HGV driver Lawrence McCourt

by dropping a three-stone breezeblock off a bridge through his cab window.

Mr McCourt, aged 68, died instantly after the block smashed through the cab of his lorry as he was driving along the A45 between Wellingborough and Doddington in the early hours of July 27.

Insp Chisholm added: "We are in discussions to create a video which looks at what happens when a brick comes through a windscreen and hits a driver in the face.

"I hope it's something we could take into schools to help show the true impact of what damage can be caused.

"We're also using a camera mounted near the bridge in Wellingborough to monitor the area."

At Friday's appeal, Lady Justice Hallett, Mr Justice Maddison and Mr Justice Hickinbottom ruled that none of the sentences passed could be described as "manifestly excessive".

Offences involving throwing missiles at traffic required little or no planning and were easy to commit, but could have "catastrophic consequences," said the judges.

There had been a clear need for deterrent sentences to be passed, they said, adding: "The courts must make it clear that those who commit such offences will be severely punished."

Go-slow dropped

A PROTEST which would have seen taxi drivers driving slowly around All Saints Church in Northampton was called off following last-minute efforts by the police and Northampton Borough Council to appease drivers.

Hackney cab drivers are unhappy about what they claim is a rise in private hire drivers illegally touting for business.

The protest, which came on the back of a petition signed by 110 drivers, was due to take place on Saturday, with drivers meeting at the taxi rank in Mercers Row before driving in convoy around the church.

It was postponed after Northamptonshire Police and the borough council staged a crackdown on illegal operations in the town centre.



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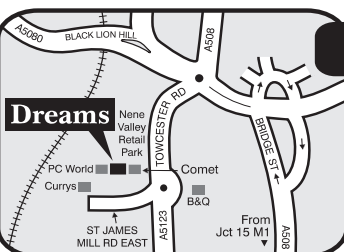
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MONEY raised from donations at a football tournament in memory of drowned teenager Steven Vernon will be used to fulfil a promise he made to his 22-month-old daughter before he died – to buy her a puppy.

More than 50 close friends and relatives, as well as others who knew the popular teenager (pictured), gathered at his former school, Northampton Academy, yesterday for a seven-a-side tournament to celebrate his life and raise money for daughter Miltza.

More than £400 was raised at the event in memory of the 19-year-old, who drowned in Sywell Reservoir last month after going for a swim.

Organiser Brett Trusler, aged 21, said he hoped the tournament, which was organised through the Facebook group set up in Steven's memory, would become an annual event.

He said: "At first, it was just going to be a small gathering at the playing fields in Ecton Brook but it just grew and grew with the number of people who wanted to come along."



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■ Chris Millar hopes Daventry Council will be a preferential creditor in the failed Icelandic banks

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Council might lose £2million

DAVENTRY District Council believes it could lose more than £2 million of taxpayers' money as a result of the collapse of the Icelandic banks it had investments with.

Daventry District Council had investments totalling £8 million with four Icelandic banks which collapsed in October last year.

In the council's final accounts for 2008/09, consideration is given to the amount of money the authority could lose as a result of the collapse of the banks, with the figure suggested set at £2.294 million.

The leader of the authority, Councillor Chris Millar (Con, West Haddon and Guilsborough), said: "There are still a lot of unknowns. We are expecting returns on each of the four banks but it's very difficult to know.

"It depends on the credit situation and if we are preferential creditors in Iceland. It is what we are anticipating, but it's variable.

"The biggest problem we have is that it does change



from month to month.

"We are taking a cautious approach, but we hope to get the majority of the money back."

If Daventry and the other local authorities which put money into the banks are not seen as preferential creditors, it would have a "significant impact upon the amount of the deposit that is recover-

able", according to the council's accounts, with councils getting 33p and 40p in the pound from two banks, rather than 95p and £1.

Councillor Millar added the council had not been singled out as one of those which behaved negligently and said he had submitted a question surrounding the issue for the Local Government Associa-

tion's annual conference at the end of the month.

The council's accounts also explained the present economic climate has resulted in "more volatile asset values, particularly in respect of land and property values".

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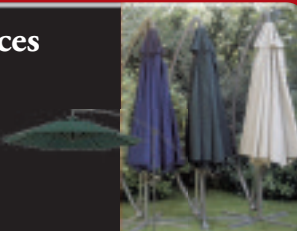


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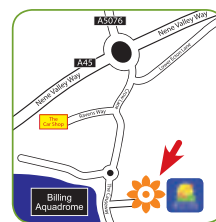
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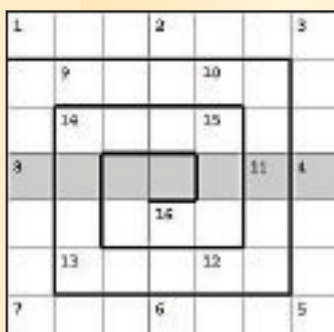


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WORD Spiral



1. Plant ovule 2. What is owed 3. Tinned fish 4. Poses a question 5. Shortly 6. Meshes 7. Ride on waves 8. Horizontally level 9. Mountain lake 10. Hitler supporter 11. Annoys 12. Weeps 13. Predatory seabird 14. Opposed to 15. Skye, say 16. Engrave

Key word clue: Ornamental shrub

WHAT years is it? – 1

1 A Tottenham Hotspur own-goal gave Coventry City a 3-2 victory in the FA Cup Final

2 Weatherman Michael Fish denied that a hurricane was on the way

3 The IRA bombed a Remembrance Day parade in Enniskillen

4 A fire engulfed King's Cross tube station



WHAT years is it? – 2

1 Juan Carlos became King of Spain following the death of General Franco

2 The Suez Canal reopened after eight years

3 The House of Commons was broadcast live on radio for the first time

4 Pele signed a three-year contract with the New York Cosmos for seven million dollars

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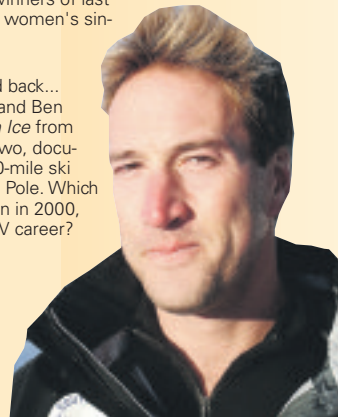
1. Reggie Yates co-presents BBC Three's coverage of Glas- tonbury, which begins tomorrow. But who is his co-presen- ter on the chart countdown each Sunday on Radio 1?

2. James Sutton is the latest addition to the *Emmerdale* cast, playing mechanic Ryan Lamb. What was the name of the character he played in *Hollyoaks* until last September?

3. Michael Le Vell's *Coronation Street* character gets involved in some extra-marital action from Monday. What's the name of the character Michael's played since 1983?

4. Wimbledon continues across the BBC this week and next. Name the winners of last year's men's and women's singles titles.

5. Cast your mind back... James Cracknell and Ben Fogle are *On Thin Ice* from Sunday on BBC Two, docu- menting their 450-mile ski race to the South Pole. Which series did Ben win in 2000, kick-starting his TV career?



■ How did Ben Fogle (right) start his TV career?

ANSWERS:
TV QUIZ – 1. Fearne Cotton 2. John Paul McQueen 3. Kevin Webster 4. Rafael Nadal and Venus Williams 5. Castaway
WORD SPIRAL: 1. Seed 2. Debt 3. Tuna 4. Asks 5. Soon 6. Nets 7. Surf 8. Flat 9. Tam 10. Nazi 11. Iks 12. Subs 13. Skua 14. Anti 15. Isle 16. Elich. Key word solution: FUCHSIA
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Extra grant will see play resume

A POPULAR village play area is to be full of children once more after campaigners have been promised around £60,000 to pay for new equipment.

Parents in East Haddon were dismayed when a popular play fort was dismantled because of health and safety fears, leav-

ing village children with no appropriate place to play together.

Parents started a group which aimed to replace it with a modern play area and the *Chronicle & Echo* reported earlier this year that they secured one grant worth about £10,000.

Parents have now received another letter from Northamptonshire County Council, this

time telling them they now have an extra £49,000 of Government money.

One of the applicants, Tabitha Cowen, said: "It was a great feeling when we knew we had it."

"We'd actually got a letter from Northamptonshire County Council a couple of days beforehand telling us we had been given a much smaller sum."

"But when we got the confirmation email it was actually for the full amount, so we're even happier than we would have been."

"It feels a bit like opening your exam results and realising you can now go to university."

"It's very exciting."

The new play area will feature activities such as slides, climbing walls and play shops, for children aged up to 13.

It will cost more than £70,000 in total but the group is confident that its fundraising drive will help cover the difference.

Moulton Park firm Miracle Design and Play have drawn up plans for the site and should soon be given the green light to go ahead.

Mrs Cowen said: "It's the only public space where all the children can play and it's a focal point for the village."

"Hopefully, we can replace some of the ideas of the old fort and put on some great new ones so it will be better than ever."

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A MAN who helped to save a drowning man after he fell into a canal has called for more buoyancy aids to be fitted alongside waterways to avoid potential tragedies.

David Roberts heard cries for help coming from the Grand Union Canal near Auctioneers Way in Northampton after a man, who has not been identified, fell into the water and was struggling to keep afloat.

Mr Roberts rushed to the waterside from his home in Southbridge to cling on to the victim, and has said the outcome could have been far worse if a passing narrowboat owner had not also stepped in to help.

He said: "It is true that I was part of the rescue as I live by the canal and responded to the cries for help, but most of the credit should go to the boat

owner who had managed to get a buoyancy aid under the man before I arrived.

"I simply held on to him with the aid of a policeman until the fire service arrived with ladders to drag him out.

"Without the prompt intervention of the boat owner the outcome could well have been a tragedy.

"It is worth noting that there are no buoyancy aids along the river, on either side, for some distance.

"I guess the nearest one would be in Becketts Park, which would have been too far away in this case.

"This is an issue that should be addressed as a matter of urgency before someone else falls in and isn't so lucky.

"The police and other emergency services should also be commended in this incident due to their speedy arrival."



■ The area where the man was rescued

Man jailed for rape of under-age boy

A GAY man who had a sexual relationship with an under-age boy has been jailed for eight years and eight months at Northampton Crown Court.

Michael Leask, 26, admitted 10 offences of rape, sexual assault and engaging in

sexual activity with a child over a two-year period. Leask, of Gretton Road, Weldon, was also banned from ever working with children, made the subject of an indefinite sexual offences prevention order and placed on the sex offenders' register.

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Dinners plan has high cost

A PLAN to provide hot dinners for every child in Northamptonshire could end up costing every school that signs up to the scheme tens of thousands of pounds.

Confidential papers show the estimated cost of the new school meals service is £16 million, of which only £8.5 million is covered by Government funding.

If schools agree to be part of the plan, the remaining £7.5 million would be raised by taking money from their individual capital funding budgets over the next three years.

Some schools could be expected to pay as much as £9,000 per year to cover the cost of refitting the 243 school kitchens in the county that currently do not have hot meal provision or rely on an external contractor.

A spokesman for Northamptonshire County Council said the hot meals plan was not compulsory

and all the schools that signed up understood it was an investment in the future.

The spokesman said: "We all know a nutritious and healthy meal is a vital part of a child's day helping them work better while at school. Our ultimate goal is a hot meal for every pupil and the current plan will see an increase in the number of pupils having a healthy, hot meal at school from its current figure of 50 per cent.

"The successful bid for Government funds means Northamptonshire has been awarded £8.5 million on the understanding that there is matched funding from schools.

"This means there will be an initial cost to schools so we can get the necessary infrastructure and equipment in place. With 83 per cent of schools choosing to support the scheme, we're delighted to be working with them on such an important scheme. They recognise this is an investment in the future

and as well as the obvious benefits for students, schools will benefit from the economies of scale that a countywide service brings."

The expected Government funding is the biggest allocation to any local authority in the county.

One Northamptonshire school governor, who did not wish to be named, said: "This is extortionate when you consider that the capital value of the equipment being put into some of these schools is a fraction of the actual price of the equipment they are to receive to operate the service and some are already receiving a perfectly adequate service with no cost whatsoever. These schools are being prevented from having the option to continue this service as the production kitchens that currently supply them are being "enticed" into the county council scheme with inducements of brand new kitchens and facilities.

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LEATHER cat suits, paper dresses, tartan coats and tasselled hoods all graced the catwalk at The University of Northampton Graduate Fashion Show this week.

Almost 3,000 people visited the show held in the Royal & Derngate on Wednesday to see the fashion designers of the future.

Professional models showcased 24 collections, including a striking leather ensemble by Roxanne Pitteway based around insects, a menswear collection inspired by Thunderbirds by Michael Eagle and a collection based on African tribal dress and colour from Natasha Liparoti.

The collections were previously previewed in Hong Kong earlier in the year and at the London Graduate Fashion Show. Yvonne Watson, head of fashion and textiles, praised the students' hard work and creativity.

■ Hannah Hutcheson's collection of footwear and accessories

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She said: "We have worked with inspiring, motivated and dedicated students. Our ambition and aspiration for the future is to develop and grow and make

an impact on the world of design."

Ann Tate, university vice chancellor, said the show demonstrated how far their students had come in a very short time. She added: "It is a fantastic

achievement for a university outside of London.

"Many of our graduates from last year are working in fashion houses and couture houses that have worldwide reputations."

Parking lesson

CHILDREN from Weston Favell Primary School have taken part in a week of action aimed at persuading parents not to park irresponsibly outside the school.

The pupils have been involved in road safety activities, including producing a leaflet which is being left on the windscreens of cars parked outside the school at peak times.

There is a drop-off point outside the school for parents to drop off and collect older children, but this is only supposed to be used by parents who do not need to walk their children to their classroom.

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LOCAL MATRON SUPPORTS SAME-SEX ACCOMMODATION CAMPAIGN



Northampton Modern Matron, Claire Sambridge, backs the same-sex accommodation campaign

Northampton General Hospital NHS Trust has secured £1.3m funding from the Department of Health to improve its same-sex accommodation.

Facilities across the Trust's hospital will be upgraded to enhance privacy and dignity for all patients and ensure they feel more comfortable during their stay. Demonstrating its commitment, the Trust will be investing a further £500,000 of its own funds to maximise the improvement works across the region.

Enhancements to the wards will include new same-sex toilets and bathroom facilities, as well as more signage to ensure patients know where these facilities are located for each gender.

To communicate the changes that have been made to the hospital, the Trust will be displaying posters, pull-up banners and leaflets across local NHS facilities, helping to raise the awareness of same-sex accommodation and what it means for patients. The campaign also features staff from across NHS East Midlands, including local Modern Matron Claire Sambridge, who works at Northampton General

Hospital.

Claire is the matron of three different wards, including a 40 bedded trauma ward. She looks after more than 120 staff including nurses, plaster technicians and health care assistants. Having worked at the hospital since December 2008, she has welcomed the changes and wanted to show her support by becoming a face of the campaign. She said: "I put myself forward to be a face of the region because I think it is important to support the SSA scheme in Northampton. Same-sex accommodation means that patients of the same gender are in the same bed bay or ward and that they should have their own designated men's only or women's only toilet and washing facilities.

"We know that in the big scheme of hospital care same-sex accommodation comes low on a patient's agenda because primarily they're concerned about getting better, but when a patient is actually in hospital their feelings towards their accommodation change. Same-sex accommodation will help the patients in our wards feel less vulnerable and more secure, making their time in hospital that little bit easier."

Here **Lynn Andrews**, Assistant Director of Nursing and Patient Care at NHS East Midlands, the Strategic Health Authority, answers some of the most commonly asked questions relating to **Same-Sex Accommodation**

WHAT IS SAME-SEX ACCOMMODATION AND WHY DOES IT MATTER?

If you're a patient in hospital or visiting a friend or relative your main concern is immediate treatment and a speedy recovery. You have told us that your privacy and dignity is also important. This is why as part of a privacy and dignity drive in our hospitals, NHS organisations in the East Midlands are working hard to eliminate mixed-sex accommodation and provide same-sex accommodation for patients.

WHAT IS MEANT BY SAME-SEX ACCOMMODATION?

Same-sex accommodation is where sleeping areas, toilet and washing facilities are designated as either men-only or women-only. This means that men and women shouldn't be in beds next to each other and toilets should be clearly labelled for men's and women's use. Disabled toilets and washrooms can be used by either men or women as they can require specialist equipment or facilities.

SLEEPING FACILITIES

Sleeping facilities in same-sex accommodation can be provided in a number of ways including; same-sex wards, where the whole ward is occupied by men or women only; single rooms for one patient, or wards where men and women are in separate bays within that ward. In this instance a solid partition will be used as a privacy screen to separate men and women.

TOILET AND WASHING FACILITIES

Toilet and washing facilities should be clearly labelled and easily accessible - ideally, either inside or next to the ward, bay or room. Patients should not need to pass through the same room as the opposite sex or use toilet and washing facilities designated for use by the opposite sex.

WHY IS SAME-SEX ACCOMMODATION SO IMPORTANT?

Going to hospital can be a worry and we understand patients are obviously anxious about the procedures they're having. You have told us that being in mixed-sex accommodation can be uncomfortable, compromising your privacy and dignity at a time when you may already be feeling vulnerable. The most common concerns include physical exposure, being in an embarrassing situation or other patients overhearing sensitive conversations. It is for these reasons that NHS organisations in the East Midlands are making excellent progress towards providing same-sex accommodation and improving the experience of patients.

WHEN ADMITTED TO AN NHS HOSPITAL WITHIN THE EAST MIDLANDS WHAT CHANGES COULD I SEE?

You should know that every effort is being made to provide same-sex accommodation. A member of staff can help put your mind at ease whether you're a patient or if you're concerned about a friend or relative.

Same-sex sleeping, toilet and washing facilities should be clearly shown via new signage which is going up in many of the region's hospitals. New bathrooms and toilet facilities are being installed providing more facilities. Changes to wards include the use of privacy film, full height partitions and the installation of doors on open bays.

Sometimes there will be situations where there is no alternative to men and women sharing facilities, for instance where patients need urgent or highly specialised care such as intensive care. This is because your care is paramount and our first priority is getting you better. We know from speaking to patients that you understand reasons why sharing facilities may happen. If this is the case, then staff on the ward will explain why and when your move to same-sex accommodation is possible.

While there is still some work to be done, the vast majority of our hospitals have already made good progress toward providing same-sex accommodation. This is to ensure that all our patients have the best possible experience while in our care.

WHAT CAN I DO TO FIND OUT IF I WILL HAVE SAME-SEX ACCOMMODATION?

If you're about to be admitted to hospital and you want to confirm that your accommodation will be same-sex, please call the hospital's admissions department or ask a member of staff.

Alternatively log onto www.eastmidlands.nhs.uk and follow links to all the NHS websites in the region.

LOOK OUT FOR MORE SAME-SEX ACCOMMODATION INFORMATION

To help explain about same-sex accommodation to patients and their visitors a range of materials have been launched. Posters, pull-up banners, leaflets and bookmarks will be in NHS facilities across the East Midlands and advertising will be appearing in local newspapers. All of which feature NHS staff from the region.

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Costs rise for births

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Due to increased chance of harm to mother and baby compared with a natural birth, the NHS says no more than 19.9 per cent of a hospital's births should be caesareans.

However, both Northampton General Hospital and Kettering General Hospital have performed more surgical births than recommended in the past five years.

When a hospital exceeds the national best practice rate of 19.9 per cent, it gets less money per caesarean than it would do normally from its local NHS body.

That means it has to make up the difference itself, hence the extra costs.

Last year, NGH had to pay £67,312 more because 26 per cent of births were caesarean sections and KGH was charged £46,878 more for performing 20 per cent.

In total, the hospitals have been charged more than £500,000

over a five-year period.

Jane Buckler, an independent midwife from Northamptonshire, said: "In terms of the rising rates of caesarean sections, there are suggestions that it is because of fear of litigation, a lack of experienced midwives and an insufficient amount of trained medical staff. Some medical staff can see it as the easy option."

"It is a real problem and one way we could try to improve the situation would be to have a birthing centre focused on normality and staffed by experienced midwives who support normality."

A spokesperson for NHS Northamptonshire, said: "Both Northampton General Hospital and Kettering General Hospital are encouraged to ensure that their caesarean section rates are in line with national best practice."

"In 2009/10 national best practice is set at 19.9 per cent caesarean sections of the total number of births, while maintaining patient safety and advising patients of alternative options available to them, such as midwifery-led care and home births. NHS Northamptonshire is committed to ensuring high quality and safe maternity services are available."



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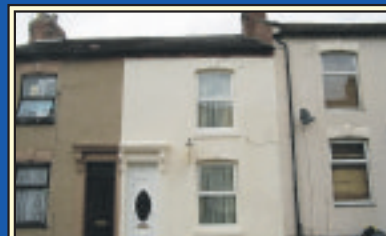
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18th Birthday



MATTHEW ESSOM

Happy 18th Birthday Matt.

Have a great weekend Love Mum, Dad, Mitch and Brandon xxxxx

40th Birthday

Lesley-Anne BROWNE

Happy 40th Birthday to our lovely Daughter, Lesley-Anne Love Mum, Dad, Wayne, Megan, Callum, Mark, Becky, Danielle, Joshua, Michael.

- xxx -



Anna CIVIL



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In Memoriam

CONNOR Vincent

Who died on 24th June 2008 No one knows the grief I bear, when the family meets & you're not there. I laugh, I smile and I play the part, But behind it all lies a broken heart. Your memory is my greatest treasure, To have, to love, to keep forever. I talk of memories one by one, Words you have said, things you have done. They bring a smile, more often a tear, And a constant wish that you were still here. Forever in my thoughts, Your loving Wife Margaret



In Memoriam

MORAN

Josephine & Michael

Died 24-06-85 R.I.P

Late of Limerick City, Ireland. In the centre of Gods garden, there is someone special there, that someone is our Mother, the best beyond compare, i would like to say so many things, i dont know where to start, i only know i miss you Mam, from the bottom of my heart. Sadly missed your loving Family

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Birthdays



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Happy 7th Birthday for 21st. Lots of love, hugs and kisses from Nanny Katie and Grandad Andrew x



Debi SPARKES

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18th Birthday



Chloe ANDERSON

Congratulations on your 18th Birthday. Health, Wealth and Happiness Always. Love Mum, Martin, Nan, Kyle, Luke, Paige, Dad, Pap and Families. xxx



Rebecca KIRK

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21st Birthday

KARLY LEWIS

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HEFFORD SUE

24th June 2008. Sad year. Three little words Forget me not don't say much but they mean alot forget you Nan I never will for in my heart you are with me still

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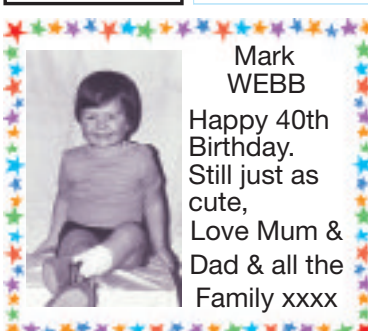
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HEFFORD Sue

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MANN — Joan. Beloved Wife of Bill. There are many things to thank you for: I don't know where to start. So I will just say I loved you Joan from the bottom of my heart. Till we are together again. God Bless you. Love Bill.

MANN — Joan. Still miss you Mum. Love from Son Paul and Family.x

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ROLFE Yvonne

Four long years without you, love The memories are still clear We think about you every day but we wish you were still here

Always in our hearts Ken, Karen and Katie xxx



SNASHALL — Ron. You are still missed everyday Ron. Love you, Jenny xxx

ZOTTELE Kathleen

Fell asleep 20th June 2004.

My heart still aches The tears still flow, what it meant to lose you Mum, No one will know.

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Birthday Memories

CAHILL Mary

Thinking of you on this special day. We think about you always and talk about you too. We have such wonderful memories, but we wish we still had you. Love always. Dan, Family & Grandchildren X

FOOTE George

My heart still aches with sadness, The secret tears still flow, What it means to lose you. No one will ever know. From your Wife Carol and children Zak, Julie, Donna and Danny.



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Job Ref: SHS801

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Closing date: Thursday 9th July 2009

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Closing date for both posts: noon, 1 July 2009.

Interview date for both posts: 9 July 2009.

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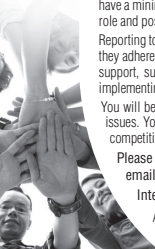
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Vettel spoils Button's big day

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Crowe is pinching himself over deal

JASON CROWE says he is 'ready' to grab his 'fantastic move' to Leeds United with both hands.

Crowe has quit the Cobblers to sign on at Elland Road on a free transfer, and will begin pre-season training with his new team-mates next week.

The former Arsenal and Portsmouth man is still pinching himself after swapping life at Sixfields for the chance to turn out at Elland Road every other week.

It was a move that came out of the blue for a player who had been linked with Brighton and Brentford, and although both of those sides play in Coca-Cola League One alongside Leeds, the Yorkshire giants are in a different league when it comes to facilities and fan-base.

"It's a fantastic move for me and a great one at this stage of my career," said Crowe. "It's an opportunity I'm most definitely ready for and I'm looking forward to it immensely."

"I've played a lot of football over the last 10 years and I've got plenty of games and experience under my belt, but I honestly feel fitter and stronger now than I did when I was in my early 20s."

"I'm in as good condition as I've ever been."

And he added: "My own feeling is that I've got a lot to offer Leeds, and the club must think the same if they're bringing me in."

"They weren't the only club who expressed an interest in me but I'm being genuine when I say that Leeds were my first choice. They've got great tradition and a very good squad. This was the move I wanted."

The Cobblers did offer Crowe a good deal to stay at the club, but he has opted for a move, with relegation to league two no doubt playing a major part in that decision.

Crowe was a reliable servant to the Cobblers, and he admits he will always have a soft spot for the club.

"I'm leaving Northampton with a lot of respect for the club, and I've had four lovely years there," said Crowe, who was signed in the summer of 2005 by Colin Calderwood.

"It gave me the chance to play under some good managers - Colin Calderwood, John Gorman, Stuart Gray - and they did offer me a contract but I felt it was time for a new start."

"Leeds have now given me that opportunity."



■ Riki Wessels in action for Steelbacks on Tuesday

Steelbacks need to bounce back

THE STEELBACKS know it is essential to get back to winning ways tomorrow night at Glamorgan as they bid to secure their berth in finals day of the Twenty20 Cup.

Having won their first five matches to top their table, they lost their second game on the bounce when they went down by two wickets at home to Gloucestershire Gladiators on Tuesday.

While it is too early to suggest any nervous collapse may be taking place, a major improvement in the batting is needed if a strong position is not to be wasted.

The bowling and fielding effort on Tuesday evening was once again superb and they nearly snatched success from a game that somehow went down to the penultimate ball.

But with only 133 to defend, it was always going to take a super-human effort and some luck to win.

Nicky Boje did the skipper's bit with his four overs bringing him three for 23. And the ever-reliable Andrew Hall looked like he might pro-

duce a miracle despite only three runs being needed off the final over. Had Ian Harvey's throw been better as Ian Saxelby scampered a single to get off strike it might have been different.

That is all ifs, buts and maybes, however. Too many irresponsible shots from the Steelbacks batsmen had left the bowlers little to work with.

They started brilliantly and at the halfway stage were 84 for two. In the next eight overs, however, they conspired to lose seven wickets while adding a mere 30 runs - 18 of those smacked off the final over.

When van der Wath struck with the first ball of the Gladiators reply, hopes were raised, but not for long.

Grant Hodnett demonstrated how to play a Twenty20 innings, combining sensible cricket shots with some monstrous hitting.

When he went, ambitions of victory were once again raised - more so when Riki Wessels' quick work to run out Gemaal Hussain saw the eighth wicket go down. But it was not to be. With Kadeer Ali on strike the Gladiators just managed to complete the job, reaching 134-8.



■ Steven Crook looks to the heavens after being bowled for nine